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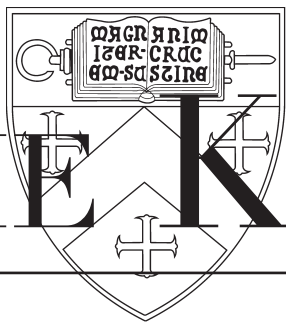
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Gambier, Ohio

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Council discusses logistics for Graham event

BY SEAN RYAN
Staff Writer

Several streets in southeast Gambier will be restricted to one-way traffic during the Will Graham Celebrations this weekend, according to a presentation given at this week's Village Council meeting.

Jerry Scott, the security and traffic coordinator for the celebration, requested that traffic along Duff Street and South Ackland Street be allowed to flow only to the north, with traffic along Meadow Lane flowing only to the south on Friday and Saturday evenings, as well as Sunday afternoon.

According to Scott, who was joined by Kenyon Manager of Business Services Fred Linger in the request, the traffic changes are due to the large number of people expected for the celebrations.

Scott said that they had rented 4,300 chairs for the event, and

were expecting about 2,300 cars each day.

Scott promised that there would be at least 20 volunteers to guide parking, which will be mainly in the open fields east of Duff Street and south of the Kokosing Gap Trail, but will also be on a permit basis in South lot, the McBride Field lot and the KAC parking lot. There will also be volunteers and uniformed sheriff's deputies guiding the modified traffic.

Scott said that the Graham organization was working hard to keep traffic out of the Village center. All Celebration traffic will be asked to enter Gambier by the Duff Street entrance off of Route 229.

Scott estimated that the cars would take no more than 45 minutes to leave the Village after the Celebration, which is scheduled to end at 9:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

In other business, the Village Council welcomed a new member. Mayor Kirk Emmert gave the oath of office to Susan Sukys, who is replacing Jamie Gump on the Council.

Mayor Emmert also announced that the search committee for a new Village Administrator has selected Suzanne Hopkins. Hopkins has been serving as Interim Village Administrator since Rob McDonald left.

In addition, Emmert announced that American Electric Power, which supplies power to the Village, has agreed to remove two dead trees near the water tower on Chase Avenue as well as trim two others in residential areas.

The Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended to Village Council that the block surrounded by Brooklyn Street, East Wiggan Street, North Ackland

Street and the center path running next to the Gambier Grill and the People's Bank be re-zoned to "mixed use," which would allow businesses in buildings where their owner did not already live. This will not be formally introduced for a first reading until next month's meeting, according to Emmert.

The Council took a third reading and passed an ordinance allowing for a change in the composition of the Tree Commission. While it was formerly three Council members and two at-large citizens, it will now be three citizens and two Council members. Emmert concurrently announced that he has appointed Rachel Garcia to the commission, a decision that was praised by the Council.

The Council also took a second reading of an ordinance to change the due dates for water bills to the fifth day of the month after the bill

is sent.

The Council approved a measure to change the Village's record-keeping policy in order to align it with state standards. There were concerns raised about the ways that records were kept, and that keeping data on CDs might not be a good idea in the long term.

Village Solicitor Ken Lane reminded the Council that all inter-council e-mail was considered to be a public record and the Village needed to keep a record of it. Village Clerk Mary Samuell suggested that all inter-council e-mails be carbon-copied to the Village's e-mail address.

The Council also heard from Dave McConnell, Kenyon's Chief Business Officer, about the new child-care facility currently being built. McConnell announced that there would be an open house on Oct. 16 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Vague party policy raises questions

BY HANNAH CURRAN
Editor-in-Chief

Ambiguities in the new party policy led to confusion when three first years were written up at a registered party, despite having been invited by one of the guests.

On Friday, Sept. 21, Emily Feleen '08 registered an event at her residence, New Apartment F1, as a closed event with approximately 20 people on the e-mailed guest list. According to Feleen, she did so with the assistance of a CA in order to avoid any mistakes. Around midnight, three first years that had been verbally invited but were not on the guest list arrived together on the pavement in front of the apartment, apparently never entering the building. A Safety officer arrived shortly afterwards and wrote up the three first years for underage drinking.

Although the students were not on the guest list, according to Feleen, they had been belatedly invited and Feleen was not granted any time to send another e-mail to the website updating the guest list, as the new party policy stipulates.

"I was under the impression that offering an easier solution such as writing a quick e-mail was Safety's duty before writing up students at closed events,"

said Eric Dunn '09, one of the originally invited guests. "I was under the impression that if a closed party was registered, then Safety would not disturb the party at all. We sent an email before the party began saying that we were throwing a small party where there would be beer and less than 20 people. We also sent a guest list of the 20 people that were going to be showing up at one point or another through out the night."

"They had not been invited by anyone who lived in the apartment and the girl [who invited them] just told me they were coming," said Feleen. "As much as I knew, they weren't underage, but they never even entered the apartment for anyone to have a chance to add them to the list. Another time, I was at a friend's house [playing Beirut] and a security guard rolled up and said that these people weren't on the list. So the host whipped out his laptop and sent an email and the guards were fine with it. All the invited guests here, similarly, were 21 and upperclassmen."

Article A of section II in the 2007-2008 Student Handbook states, "To allow and encourage the informal gathering of students, campus safety officers will typically not be

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Courtesy of Helen Svoboda-Barber

While dogs in Gambier are not an uncommon sight, 25 of them will certainly turn heads, and that's exactly what happened Wednesday night in front of the Church of the Holy Spirit. Pet owners from around Gambier—faculty, residents and alumni alike—gathered with their dogs and cats to celebrate the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. For Executive Assistant to Vice President for College Relations Dorothy Michalski and her husband Mike, "it's always a meaningful event, even if we don't come annually," she said.

Reverend Helen Svoboda-Barber presided over the 20-minute "Blessing of the Animals," which consisted of readings from the Bible, prayers, including the "Prayer of St. Francis," and individual blessings for each animal. "When we attended a church out in the country," said Michalski with a laugh, "people would bring horses and chickens." Though no horses or chickens were present near Middle Path last night, the dogs and cats kept the atmosphere lively and the service short. Squirrels and the other animals kept the animals' attention much more than the readings and blessings.

According to class of '76 alum and former trustee Buffy Hallinan, the event is a medium for local animal owners to get to know each other as well as express gratitude for their furry friends. "There are a lot of dog owners in Gambier," and, she added with a laugh, "some of the secular dogs aren't here today, but we still find events to get the pet-owning community together."

Finally, as the service came to a close, the dogs and cats with owners in tow parted ways. "It's always fun for us," said Michalski, "and we're definitely looking forward to it next year."

—Lindsay Means

Local pet owners collect funds for dog park in village of Gambier

BY SARAH QUELLER
Staff Writer

Residents of the Village of Gambier, led by council member Betsy Heer, are seeking to build a community dog park. The park would be located at the Community Center, south of the soccer field, and would cover about half of the open field located to the south of the soccer field, Heer said. Thus far, the community has raised more than \$2,400 from about 30 different donors. In August, the community hosted "Waffles for Woofs" to raise money for the project. Heer said the village agreed to match up to \$2,500 of what the community raises. At this rate, Heer said the goal is to build the park by spring.

Heer said the park would be "for the community in the largest sense," and would be open to anyone in the general area. She said the "closest dog park might be in

Delaware," but that Columbus is designating money to build dog parks, and Gambier should follow suit.

According to Heer, a dog park is needed for Gambier residents because there are not many choices for dog-walkers. Dogs must be kept on a leash on the Kokosing Gap Trail, and often run into bicyclists, joggers and skaters, she said. The park, therefore, would be "sensitive to everybody else, as well," Heer said.

Heer said she got involved with the project because she has "a pup that could use a dog park." She said a dog park "encourages a greater sense of community" and "socializes the dogs." The dog park would also create "another reason to go to the Community Center," Heer said.

When Heer moved to Gambier, one of her first introductions to the community was through a group of residents who walked their dogs together.

According to Heer, a dog park is not very different from a book club or sports league, as it provides a "shared sense of community."

Professor of English Deborah Laycock has found that Gambier has been suitable for her Siberian Husky. "[He], unfortunately, has not been socialized with other dogs and thus will not likely used the dog park," she said. "He prefers wandering down Middle Path to be adored by students or exploring the trails of Wolf Run Park (which we have renamed "Husky Run.") All of Gambier is for him a dog park. But having a designated dog park in Gambier is a wonderful idea."

Students or community members interested in donating to the project should make checks payable to the Village of Gambier and mention the dog park in the memo line. Contributions can be dropped off at the Village's office in the Community Center.

Party: misunderstanding spawns conflict

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come involved with a gathering in a student's room, suite, apartment, or College house, unless there is clear evidence (or a reasonable suspicion) that irresponsible destructive, dangerous, and/or illegal activity is taking place, and/or a complaint is received." Thus, it remains unclear when exactly Security can become involved in a party, registered or otherwise.

"He didn't take my name or talk to the residents of the apartment, he went directly to the [first years] claiming they 'looked underaged,'" said Feleen. "What I really don't understand is that five minutes before this all happened, we saw a security vehicle. It was like they were watching our apartment. Like two seconds after they showed up, a security guard showed up. It was like they were following them. He told me that he saw us give them beer and they were never even in our apartment. Those [first years] were never actu-

ally in our apartment; they were on the public pathway, which shouldn't be our issue in the first place."

"It seems to me that Safety actions on Friday night are a blatant disregard of the new party policy," said Dunn in an email to Dean of Students Tammi Gocial, in which he complained about the chain of events. "The party policy, as I understand it, is meant to increase trust between Safety and the students, with Safety not stopping by at closed events with 20 people or less. I think that Safety didn't follow the necessary protocol for writing up the [first years], in the way that they did not give the party hosts the option of sending Safety and yourself a quick e-mail with the names of the students who had just joined the party."

Head of Campus Safety Bob Hooper disagrees. "The trust has to work both ways," said Hooper in response to Dunn's e-mail. "The policy is not to serve underage. The policy was never intended to be a free-for-all atmosphere. There is still a level

of responsibility that must be followed when hosting a party. When your party, registered or not, draws attention to itself officers do have an obligation to make sure policies are being followed."

When asked about the incident, Gocial had a few reminders for campus. "Drinking if you're under 21 is still illegal," she said. "When people ask me if they can register parties with first-year students, I assume that everyone in that room is being responsible, so long as you don't get past the 20-person limit. I do believe there is a limit to how many people can you reasonably watch at once."

"When you're a member of the student affairs staff, we're in a place where we need to address it—with police officers, we are trying to do some things to minimize pre-gaming and help students help each other out," said Gocial. "If you're under 21, it's pretty obvious you're doing something illegal if you're drinking beer outside. Sorry, but not everyone can drink whatever they want wherever they want."

STUDENT COUNCIL

September 23, 2007

- Last week's minutes were approved.
- BFC allocations were presented. The Chasers request for \$608 for their winter tour to high schools was postponed. They will be able to do the tour but the money will instead be awarded from the second semester budget when there will be more money available. Samosa was awarded 64 percent of the \$8,219.90 they requested, because the BFC felt that it was too early in semester to be awarding such a large amount of money, especially when more clubs might come forward with financial requests. Samosa requested money for Diwali and a comedian.
- Nine letters of intent for the Campus Safety committee are waiting to be approved.
- Many topics that the council would like to address in the future were suggested. These topics include:
 - Penalties for clubs overspending.
 - Lighting on campus.
 - Involving more independent students in party monitoring.
 - Members of the student council and committees becoming involved in party monitoring.
 - The housing lottery.
 - Having a student from each class committee on Student Council to increase communication and participation between the groups.
 - Increasing communication between the administration, student council and the students.
 - Continuing forums to get student involvement.
 - Using Newscope to relay information to the students from Student Council.
 - Student Council taking up projects such as the Fall Festival.
 - Committee chairs asking their committees about any problems or suggestions they have so that the Council may discuss some of these ideas.
- Senate proposed that Student Council put together a flyer campaign in order to combat the vandalism that occurred on the campus two weekends ago. The Council is working on the flyers, which will have pictures of the vandalism along with a thought-provoking statement such as "We are Kenyon?"
- Women's club soccer was approved as a new club that will travel more and be more competitive than intramural soccer.

— Marenka Thompson-Odlum

GREEK COUNCIL

Oct. 1, 2007

- Ways to combat vandalism were discussed, including patrolling residences in which there are parties throughout the night. If an organization does not have enough members to effectively do this, then it may request the assistance and cooperation of other organizations.
- Ways to encouraging more independents to train as party monitors were discussed, following the lack of non-Greeks to monitor Greek Week events.
- The council discussed the inappropriateness of organizations on probation throwing parties through other organizations, whether it be assisting them financially or otherwise
- The council voted to request the presence and payment of dues by the Peeps o' Kenyon to the Council if they are to continue to use Greek privileges, such as lounges and division housing.
- The discussion of administrative veto of one of the three Greek Council judicial board appointments was tabled until more information was provided.
- The Council tabled discussion of advisor Brent Turner's request to attend all future meetings.

—Hannah Curran

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CORRECTIONS

In last week's extended caption to the photograph "Greek Week finishes with DKE on top," Adam Toltzis '10 was incorrectly labeled as Marcus Hough '08. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Safety Week kicks off, promotes Campus well-being

BY RYAN BURNS
Staff Writer

Students and administrators gathered at the Horn Gallery on Sunday afternoon to meet with members of the community who deal with safety issues, kicking off an entire week dedicated to promoting awareness on how to deal safely with and prevent harmful situations that one might face on campus. Each day was dedicated to a specific issue.

On Monday, sexual misconduct advisors hosted a forum at the Crozier Center where they discussed issues relating to sexual safety. An event the

following day on Ransom Lawn featured students attempting to drive golf carts while wearing beer goggles, simulating the experience of drunk driving. Tables were set up around the lawn offering information on alcohol safety and the campus party and alcohol policies.

Issues involving dorm safety were the focus on Wednesday, as flyers and posters were set up around campus that gave students information on how to avoid injury and theft, while Thursday features a demonstration on the importance of fire safety. Instruction is given during Common Hour on the

proper use of fire extinguishers. Furthermore, a mock fire will be held during the afternoon in which a makeshift dorm room will actually be burned to the ground to illustrate how rapidly even a small fire can spread.

Safety Awareness Week itself reflects the administration's increased emphasis on safety regarding campus policies rather than mere enforcement. Campus rules will certainly be enforced as strictly as before, but the emphasis has shifted toward a proactive approach: educating students about the harmful effects of unsafe drinking, for example, instead of simply citing underage

drinking laws.

LaShaunda Craft '09, the chairperson of the Issues Committee and sponsor of the event, says that "teaching students how to safely deal with particular situations is much more effective than only having a list of 'do's' and 'don'ts', and something like Safety Awareness Week is definitely a central feature in promoting this new policy."

Nevertheless, the general message of the event is caution and prevention. Assistant Director for Residential Life Matt Troutman notes that Safety Awareness Week "highlights to students the importance of be-

ing proactive and preventative in their actions."

"Residents should know that theft is common in situations where we leave our doors unlocked," he said. "Fires can be prevented. There are ways in which a party-goer can plan on being safe. Having a couple of educational and fun activities can help get this message across to students." He added that the choice of programs reflects the issues that most commonly affect the community, and all the sponsors and participants in the week-long event are hopeful that it will have a positive impact on the Hill.

V.P. of LBIS makes changes to campus computing

BY TEDDY EISMEIER
Staff Writer

Professor of Chemistry John Lutton still remembers when Kenyon's computing network consisted of a single terminal in the basement of the chemistry department. Compared to the wireless, tech-driven Kenyon of 2007, Lutton's memory sounds like ancient history.

In the last two decades, the development of digital technology, wireless internet and faster and more powerful computers has drastically changed the structure of academics and college life, pushing computing issues to the forefront of higher education policy.

Vice President for Library and Information Services Michael Roy said that the College is considering a number of issues as they plan for the future of computing and information technology at Kenyon.

One notable trend in computer use on campus is the growing popularity of laptops. According to Roy, 98 percent of Kenyon students bring their own computers to campus, and 90 percent of that number use laptop computers.

Considering the fact that only a small minority of students do not have a machine of their own, the College will need to consider the proportion of public desktops in study spaces around campus, Roy said.

During their fall meeting last year, the Board of Trustees tabled the administration's laptop proposal, created to address the growing number of laptop users on campus. Citing financial concerns and the lack of interest from students, the Board voted to drop the computing plan, which would have forced students to use personal laptops provided by the College.

With so many students voluntarily choosing to use laptops, Roy said that the current situation amounts to a de facto laptop program rather than a mandated plan.

LBIS and the administration are working to make laptop use more

effective on campus and give students better access to programs and information currently available on College-owned computers through wireless service.

"We can improve wireless service and provide software to students without having to use public computers," Roy said.

A number of software programs exist that provide users with a virtual desktop, giving them access to specialized programs for academic work and other projects, Roy said.

"Five years from now, I suspect there will be more and more students carrying laptops around campus," Roy said. "The services that people will access through laptops will be greater."

Information technology issues at Kenyon contribute to facilities planning of student study spaces

"We are going to look at existing practices as well as changing study habits," Roy said. "That will inform the planning of renovations that we might undertake in other buildings."

The upcoming construction of the new art facility will free up the gallery and museum space in the ground floor of the library.

LBIS staff will be working with a library space planner to determine the best way to adapt the building to meet students' needs, Roy said.

Justin Greenlee '09 said that he appreciates having publicly accessible computer labs around campus.

"You can be in any building on campus and be able to use a computer," Greenlee said. "It's hard to write papers in your room, and it's nice to have public access to computers so you can work in other places."

Will Stanton '08 said that he understands the need for changes in policy but likes the idea of public computer labs.

"I understand that it seems like a waste to have public computers when there are laptops, but the labs create a central place to do academic

work," Stanton said.

Stanton also said that making special programs available through remote access seems like a possible solution.

"I guess it depends how expensive it is to maintain a public lab," Stanton said.

National issues affect school policy

A new interpretation of a federal law, the Communication Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA), requires the College to report any computing activities that take place on Campus.

As an internet service provider, the College must maintain records about all users accessing the campus network in order to comply with CALEA, Roy said. Currently, visitors can sign on without a username, but this will have to change. "We need to be able to report back to say who was on what computer at what time," Roy said.

Permanent network users will sponsor guests, who will apply for a temporary username and password. After a short wait, the account will be created and the guest user will be able to log in to College-owned machines.

CALEA is not the only legal issue affecting information technology at Kenyon. The national debate over copyright law and internet file sharing has cast its shadow on

Kenyon's computing culture.

The Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) is the federal law on the books that deals with file sharing.

"[The DMCA] indemnifies the College from being responsible for file-sharing taking place on campus," Roy said.

"We need to make it clear to copyright holders that they can contact us," Roy said. "As long as we are available to receive complaints about violations, we are under no obligation to monitor file sharing on campus."

Brian D'Orazio '08 said that "if students want to file-share among themselves on their own computers then the College has no right to monitor that."

"If they use school computers for it, the College has a right to regulate it as a means of protecting itself," D'Orazio said.

While the DMCA clears institutions like Kenyon of responsibility for file sharing activity, the legislation also contains provisions for education about the issue of piracy and copyright law, Roy said.

The debate over internet downloading and file sharing has gained the national spotlight in recent years. Entertainment industry groups like the Recording Industry Association of America have brought civil suits, including several involving college students, against individuals caught

with pirated music and movie files.

Professor of Creative Writing Lewis Hyde is working on a book that deals with the state of intellectual property in the digital age.

Hyde said that he resists discussing file sharing only within the context of the recording industry, but he said that legal authorities have struggled to keep up with the fast-paced changes that digital technology has caused in our culture.

"The old law of intellectual property is not well-fitted to regulating digital copying," Hyde said, "but to the degree that the old legal model closes down illegal copying, we also risk closing the promise of the internet."

Roy acknowledged that the current laws on file sharing are imperfect because technology allows consumers to easily make perfect copies of music, videos and other types of files, regardless of the legal protection of copyrights.

"There are several ways to engage in that conversation," Roy said. "We want to have a genuine dialogue about file sharing and the law."

"The current system is broken, but there are still laws in place that we have to follow," Roy said. "Discussing the ethics of file sharing and copyright law fits into the philosophy of a liberal arts education. We need to look at the rights and responsibilities of citizens in a networked world."

VILLAGE RECORD

Sept. 26 – Oct. 2, 2007

- Sept. 26, 3:59 p.m.** – Reported theft of bicycle from outside Middle Ground.
- Sept. 28, 4:59 p.m.** – Weapon found in room at Old Kenyon.
- Sept. 28, 10:05 p.m.** – Underage possession of alcohol at McBride Residence.
- Sept. 29, 1:39 a.m.** – Fireworks being set off in Bexley Apartments area.
- Sept. 30, 12:51 a.m.** – Unauthorized entry into the Dance Studio.
- Sept. 30, 3:54 a.m.** – Suspicious phone calls to different areas on campus. Sheriff's Office was notified.
- Sept. 30, 5:47 a.m.** – Tampering with fire equipment (fire extinguisher) at Norton Hall.
- Oct. 1, 1:54 p.m.** – Drug paraphernalia found in room at Bexley Apartments.
- Oct. 2, 1:11 a.m.** – Suspicious vehicle at athletic fields area. License noted and vehicle left campus. Officer checked athletic fields storage, which appeared to be okay.
- Oct. 2, 12:37 p.m.** – Fire alarm at Olin Library. No smoke or fire found and alarm was reset.

AVI plans for Peirce, still gets mixed reviews from students

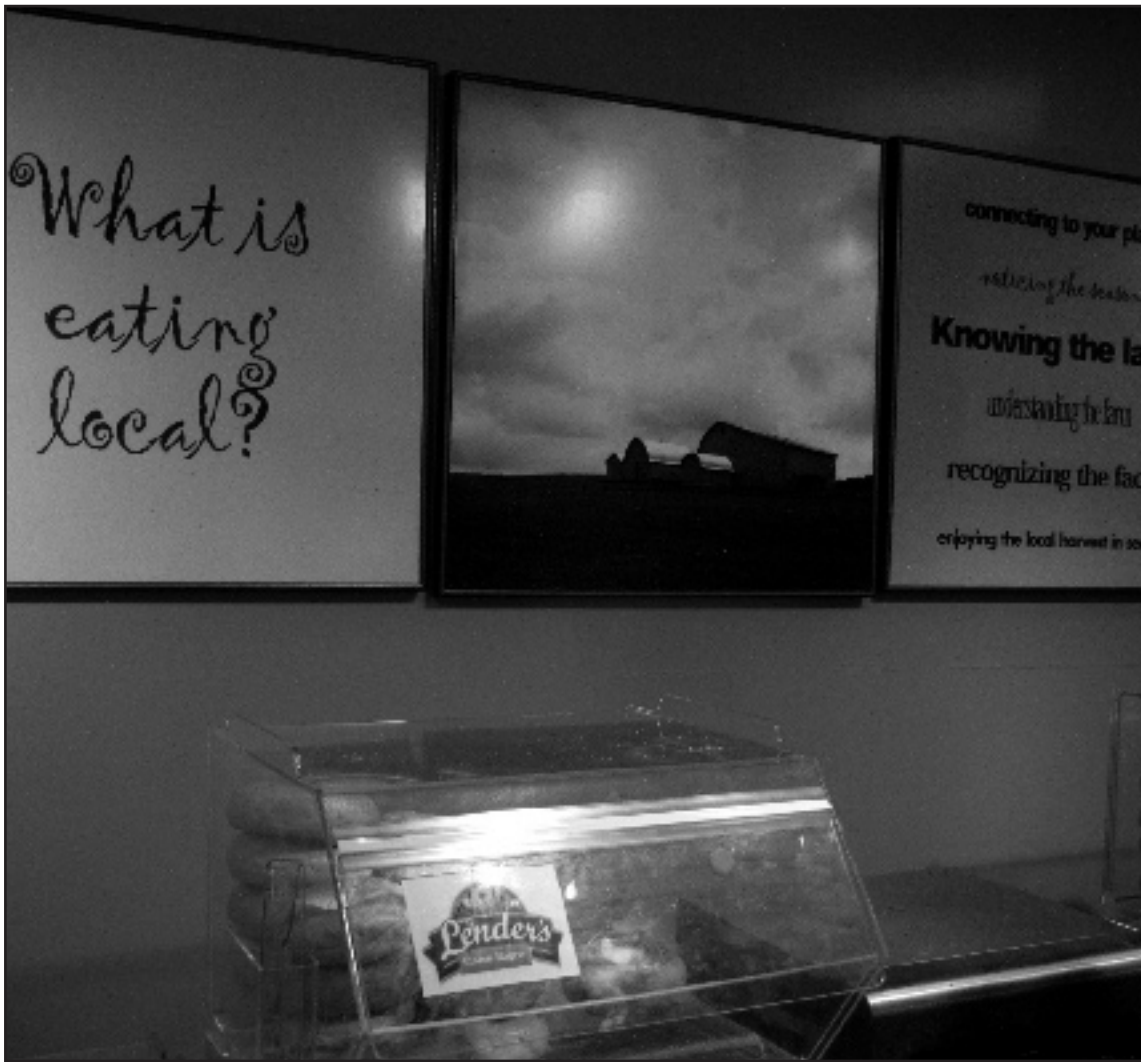
BY LINDSAY MEANS
News Assistant

The renovations occurring at Peirce will completely revamp the dining experience at Kenyon College, according to Resident Director of Dining Services Melody Monroe. AVI Foodsystems, Kenyon's dining service provider, is "committed to fully utilizing fresh foods produced on local farms," but the existing dining facilities have not been able to accommodate much local produce due to size constraints.

Among the new additions in Peirce is a flash freezer. "The flash freezer will allow us to take in local fruits and vegetables at their peak—during the summer, which is when students are usually not on campus—and be able to have them for students later in the year," says Monroe. "Though they were frozen, they'll still be a lot better—a lot fresher—than anything you could buy commercially at the same time."

While the school has not officially addressed the fate of Gund Commons, Monroe said that the opening of Peirce will render it obsolete. "Right now, Ernst and Gund can be relatively equivalent in terms of what food is served," she said, "but once Peirce is complete, Gund would not be able to match the food output that Peirce will be have."

Monroe added that employees need not fear for their jobs, however. "We absolutely need the Gund employees in order to operate Peirce—the new dining facility will be able to accommodate much more food [and] many more students, and so we will definitely



Signs adorn the walls of both Gund and Ernst dining halls touting AVI's commitment to providing local foods. Paul Reed

need all the employees from Gund in order to have Peirce be operational," she said.

Currently, AVI obtains approximately 30 percent of its products from farms within a 25-mile radius, but the expansions at Peirce will increase this percentage. "Ultimately, we want to allow for a better dining experience at Kenyon, and we feel that we can do this by utilizing more local produce," says Monroe. "Peirce is a very exciting change for all of us."

This may also mean that vegans and vegetarians at Kenyon will have more options, but that depends on how responsive they are to this semester's menus. According to Monroe, the feedback from meals so far is just coming in, and coming menus will change accordingly. "We've been trying to try new things with our vegan and vegetarian options—more soy, tempeh, more creative meals," said Monroe. First-year Laura Miller thinks that the menus

could go farther in providing vegetarian options. "There's vegetarian food available, but a lot of the time it's frustrating when nearly all the hot food has meat in it," she said. "I think we just need more hot options."

AVI had attempted to accommodate the needs of Muslim students on campus during Ramadan, a religious observance that spans from Sept. 13 to Oct. 12 during which Muslims fast through the day and

only eat after the sun has set.

Because this meant that Muslim students would not be able to eat in the dining hall during dining hall hours, the students actively sought out a means of getting the food promised to them by their meal plan. Shaakira Raheem '11, one of the Muslim students observing Ramadan, said that the arrangement made with AVI has not been meeting the needs of those students. "We asked them if they could supply us with food, and they gave us food once," said Raheem. According to Raheem, this food was not given to the students until Ramadan was well under way. The students asked Associate Dean of Students and Director of Multicultural Affairs Chris Kennerly for assistance and they were put in touch with Campus Ministries, which has been financing the food that the students have to buy. "They gave us a decent amount of food and we thought they would be consistent with it," said Raheem. She said that AVI supplied the Muslim students with a week's worth of raw cooking ingredients, such as raw chicken, onions, tomatoes and things of the like. According to Raheem, Muslim student Mohammad Hamad '10 contacted AVI a week and a half ago for more food and was only recently contacted about the food supply being replenished.

Students are encouraged to fill out comment cards regarding the meals, which are presently located in both Ernst and Gund dining halls. Additionally, students may e-mail any thoughts or comments about food at Kenyon to monroem@kenyon.edu.

Kenyon's accessibility issues raised at meeting

BY ELIZABETH DEXHEIMER
Staff Writer

Although many of Kenyon's recent construction projects sought to improve accessibility on campus, including the construction of the KAC and now the renovations to Peirce, students and members of the faculty continue to be frustrated with the lack of accessibility for the handicapped throughout many of the buildings, and find navigating around campus to be increasingly difficult.

Tackling these issues head-on is Kate Guerin-Calvert '08, who has organized an Accessibility Forum that meets regularly to discuss and brainstorm solutions to accessibility issues facing Kenyon students.

With a focus on collaboration, Guerin-Calvert encourages students to consider accessibility in the long-term as well as the short term. "In the short-term, one major goal of this forum is to come up with a student-based project related to accessibility that we could bring to fruition by the end of this year," she said. "It doesn't have to be anything overly ambitious, just something that we as students can do this year to make Kenyon more open to all levels of ability."

At the forum's first meeting, the students made a motion to solicit other campus organizations for help with snow removal in the winter and suggested moving class locations to the bottom floor of academic buildings to accom-

modate those with difficulties climbing stairs. They also discussed the challenges presented by traversing the hill down to Ernst, the need for chair lifts in buildings that cannot sustain elevators such as Ascension and the overall need to make accessibility a priority at Kenyon.

Pleased with the work of the Accessibility Forum and optimistic that such an initiative will encourage change is Coordinator of Disability Services Erin Salva. "I'm thrilled to see students who are passionate about dealing with these accessibility issues, because their input and ideas are very valuable and will spring board larger initiatives to develop," she said.

Salva, whose 2002 "Kenyon College [American's with

Disabilities Act] Study" encouraged the school to make improvements which included more automatic doors and access to golf carts for those with chronic mobility issues.

The study emphasizes that the most poignant issue facing the students at Kenyon is their access to one another. "For students who have a hard time getting around the campus, making friends and socializing is even more difficult. Students are isolated, even when it comes to small things like walking to the Dining Hall."

Salva focuses on three features of accessibility: academic programs, residence halls and public use facilities, such as the library or bookstore. She emphasizes the need to concentrate on improving public

facilities so as to better integrate disabled students into the community. She points out that "change happens slowly, and there needs to be a visible need in order for people to act. When a ramp is installed at the SAC, people will recognize that there is a demand for that ramp."

With the previous report expiring this year, Salva said she plans to initiate a new study this fall to draw attention to accessibility issues and prompt improvements to more campus buildings. According to Salva, however, "the point is not making buildings better for just people who have disabilities," she said. "Instead, we must look at the issue of access as a universal issue that will enhance the lives of everyone here at Kenyon."

Rain's positives wash away its problems

BY CALEBRUOPP
Staff Writer

I thoroughly enjoyed *Three Days of Rain*. I gave it a standing ovation and was joined by the rest of the audience. The acting was superb, and the set was simple but effective.

The play is well written, both funny and serious, with some foreshadowing but no flashing neon signs shouting, "This line is important!"—just a polite nod and whistle. When someone mentioned, for example, that there will be three days of rain, the forecast seemed to have little significance, and it was only later that we realized that the days were a turning point in Ned's life.

The first and second acts' being in different time periods could have been confusing, but it went off without a hitch. The play in itself is mostly show rather than tell. When there was exposition, it wasn't a simple story, and we had to fill in the gaps for ourselves. In the first act, the reading of the will—a very important aspect of the play—happened offstage, while only the



Stephen Ellis '08 and Brian Kettler '08 in *Three Days of Rain*

William Cirocco

action before and the aftermath happened in front of us.

Caitlin Watkins '08 did an excellent job as Nan/Lina, playing each role very differently and making it easy for the audience to distinguish between them. Stephen Ellis '08 (Walker/Ned), especially in the second act, was very believable, and even pulled off a stutter. Brian Kettler '08 (Pip/Theo) was stellar as well, and very funny.

Knud Adams '09 did a great job directing this show. The

actors all responded to each other, and had a sense of where they were and where they were going on stage. The lighting was thought out, and the sound choices worked. The costumes added to but did not dominate the show, subtly suggesting the historical era.

All in all, it was a well-done piece. There were minor flaws that I found ultimately overlookable in light of the larger whole: an enjoyable two hours that I would gladly relive.

Glass Menagerie true to Williams' spirit



Liesel Schmidt '08 embraces Kathleen Culliton '08 in *The Glass Menagerie*.

William Cirocco

BY RALUCA TOMA
Staff Writer

I walked out of the Hill Theater last Saturday with a renewed appreciation of Tennessee Williams, if not in perfect awe of the Kenyon production of his play *The Glass Menagerie*.

Menagerie is a "memory play," in which the narrator recalls his youth, mixing fact and fiction as he comments on the action taking place on stage. Memory and its reconstruction of the past is an important theme in the play, and the softly-lit stage reinforced this sense of reminiscence. The dim lighting did, however, make it unclear whether or not certain characters were visible to each other.

The performance conveyed the drama fairly well. During the first half of the play there were, however, moments when something seemed amiss. While the script makes it quite clear that Tom and Laura have a tender relationship, Thomas Peter '08 and

Kathleen Culliton '08 did not completely portray this affection, failing to connect quite as seamlessly as they could have. Also, it often appeared that Laura was the stronger one of the two and that Tom was perpetually on the edge, a twist unfaithful to the author's intention. Tom's character is an artist's soul trapped in a repetitive, suffocating life who realizes the pain his escape would inflict on his family, yet in Peter's interpretation, the character seemed overly neurotic and insensitive to the women who depend on him.

Culliton seemed appropriately shy most of the time, with her hunched shoulders, nervous hair-fiddling and tendency to hide her face. On the other hand, she seemed to forget about Laura's limp, and very quickly and ably walked across the stage when her character became distressed.

The mother, played by Liesel Schmidt '08, though occasionally out of breath, was full of life as she flirted

energetically. Schmidt and Peter had so much chemistry that it seemed as though there were something untold going on between them—a little Freudian twist that I certainly did not notice in the original play. Perhaps, though, this is just another aspect of the character's effort to charm and influence men in general, able in this way to cling to her Southern-belle past.

After intermission, the performance seemed to improve. Laura donned an absolutely perfect dress for the gentleman caller: an off-white vintage piece that looks as fragile as a cobweb—a good match for the equally delicate character. Culliton's pose as she waits for her mother to adjust her outfit portrayed a very convincing sense of abandonment. The story is gripping, and after a while I found myself with fewer and fewer criticisms to make. In the end, though not completely impressed with the performance, I found that the voice of Tennessee Williams shone through.

KFS Previews

BY JOHN SOMERVILLE, DAVE DRISCOLL AND JAMES FLAHERTY
Staff Writers

Loggerheads (2005)

Wed., Oct. 10, 10:15 p.m.
KAC Theater

One of the best-loved small, independent films of 2005, *Loggerheads* tells the tale of a birth mother, child and adoptive parents, in three interwoven stories set against the backdrop of three geographical zones of North Carolina: the mountains, a plateau area and a coastal plain.

One of the stories takes place in Kure Beach, and involves Kip Pardue, the son obsessed with saving sea turtles who meets a friendly motel owner full of secrets.

Across the state in Asheville, a rental car agent (Bonnie Hunt) quits her job and leaves her mother's house on a quest to break the legal barriers that keep her from seeing her son Kip, whom she put up for adoption when she was a teenager.

Finally, in Eden, in the middle of the state, a minister's wife must confront her conservative husband about their estranged adopted son.

Come to *Loggerheads* for a simple story about family turmoil and pretty turtles.

Ratatouille (2007)

Fri., Oct. 12, 10:15 p.m.
KAC Theater

As *Ratatouille*'s Remy says, "Anyone can cook," but you know you're in good hands with Brad Bird. The director of *The Iron Giant* and *The Incredibles* now delivers this movie, the story of a country rat, Remy, whose gastronomic prowess lands him in the kitchen of a Parisian restaurant. There he allies himself with Linguini, a buffoonish garbage boy too desperate to question that a rat can dish out expert cuisine. Hidden beneath Linguini's toque, Remy's creations become the showcase of the restaurant, but not before things get messy.

Patton Oswalt voices Remy with a pointed and focused kind of charisma. Rounding out the voice cast are Lou Romano, Janeane Garofalo and Ian Holm. Peter O'Toole's cadaverous food critic Anton Ego elevates the film with his every resounding word.

These days, there is certainly no lack of computer-animated films that feature talking animals and a cornucopia of pop culture references. What sets *Ratatouille* apart is its creators' verve for craftsmanship. Every moment of *Ratatouille* is invested with a palpable zeal for the potential of film. Each face is the result of careful molding, each character a distinct and artfully rendered personality.

Anyone can cook, but it takes a lot of talent to cook up a movie this good.

Year of the Dog (2007)

Sat., Oct. 13, 7:30 p.m.
KAC Theater

Fittingly, this film premiered at Sundance in January of this year—the last month of the Year of the Dog according to the Chinese Zodiac.

The film's few flaws are relatively minor, and in no way impede the

audience from discerning its poignant, close-to-home themes. The brainchild of the gifted Mike White (*Chuck & Buck*, *The Good Girl*), it features the collective talents of John C. Reilly, Laura Dern, Peter Sarsgaard and yes, Molly Shannon.

I know, I know, I saw *Superstar* too, but take my word: White (who wrote and directed the film) must be smarter than we thought, because he saw something in Shannon that none of us did, and she was able to portray a very complicated character. It is, however, difficult to know whether to empathize with or laugh at this character (Peggy) as she campaigns for her newly adopted cause: all-animal activism.

Reilly's almost incomparable talents as a character actor go without saying, and he does not disappoint here. Dern's overbearing protective new-age mom is spot on; as is Sarsgaard's asexual Newt, Peggy's pseudo-role model and potential love interest. Shannon more than lives up to the challenge as she manages to bring the knotty workings of Peggy's mind and heart to the screen. Best of all, though, is Josh Pais (a veteran supporting actor, often of quality TV and independent films) as Peggy's boss, Robin.

In the end, the achievement of the film is White's delicate reconciliation of Peggy and Robin's conflicting agendas and quirky personalities, never undercutting the more serious themes of the movie.

My Summer of Love (2004)

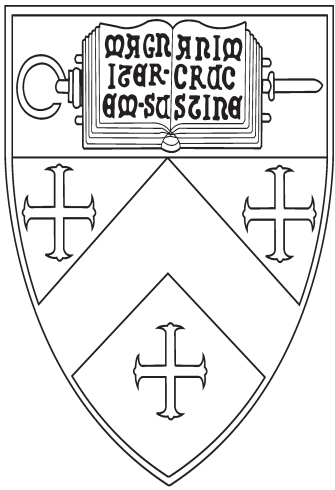
Wed., Oct. 17, 10:15 PM
KAC Theater

Despite flying under the radar in the US (it grossed less than \$1 million), *My Summer of Love* captured dozens of awards and nominations internationally, including the prestigious Alexander Korda BAFTA for Best British Film in 2005.

Coming from very different backgrounds, Mona (Nathalie Press) and Tamsin (Emily Blunt) are two free-spirited teenage girls spending the summer in a small Yorkshire village. The recently dumped Mona—who lives there permanently with her ex-con-cum-evangelical older brother, Phil (Paddy Considine) at their house (which also dually serves as the town's tavern and tabernacle)—grows ever more weary of her mundane life. Just as wandering, Tamsin comes from a dysfunctional family of her own.

The acting is superb all around. Blunt thoroughly demonstrates that her past over-the-top roles, like her personal assistant character Emily in *The Devil Wears Prada*, were products of over-writing, not over-acting. Press' potentially still facial expressions add to her command of the screen. It is, however, Considine as the enigmatic brother who emerges as the story's ticking pulse.

The film is beautifully shot by Ryszard Lenczewski (*Intermission*), and is carried by an evocative score from Goldfrapp (with help from the likes of Mozart and Saint-Saëns).



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Keeping tabs on Kenyon

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The next time you log on to your Kenyon internet account, think twice about the sites you will visit; the government might just be watching your every move.

In 1994 Congress passed the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act, making it so that telecommunications companies had to assure police easy access to their communications systems for the purpose of wiretapping. A new interpretation of the law published by the FCC called the "First Report and Order" said that providers of broadband internet connections must comply with CALEA.

Kenyon, as well as many other colleges and universities that offer internet services, must comply with this law. "We need to be able to report back to say who was on what computer at what time," said Vice President for Library and Information Services Michael Roy.

This means that visitors to Kenyon will no longer be able to access our network without a logon name and that we must begin keeping records of our students activities while surfing the net, in case the government ever wants to see what sites we have been visiting.

Although it has been upheld in court, we at the *Collegian* believe that this law is a clear violation of our rights under the Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which guarantees "the right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures."

In our post 9-11 world, people have been more and more willing to trade freedom for the semblance of safety. It is the opinion of the *Collegian* that the current administration has preyed upon these fears and extended their control of information far beyond constitutional limits. Since this law has been challenged in and upheld by the courts, it will be only through the repeal of the law that these ridiculous requirements will be lifted.

We at the *Collegian* call for all Kenyon students worried about the state of their civil liberties to write, call or e-mail their Congressmen and Senators to voice their concern about the extension of CALEA. We cannot sit idly by as our rights erode at our feet.

Kenyon right to rent out KAC



Dain Williams

BY TEDDY EISMEIER
News Writer

As the owner of the Kenyon Athletic Center, Kenyon College has the right to choose which groups and individuals use the building. Renting out the KAC for a religious gathering and community event is within the protocol established by the school for the building's use.

Since the college's announcement of the Graham celebration, rumors have circulated about inflammatory comments against the religion of Islam. The fact is that the offending party was Will Graham's father, Franklin Graham. While Franklin Graham's comments on Islam are regrettable, past remarks should not dictate whether individuals can use Kenyon's facilities to speak.

As other have pointed out, there are larger issues involved in the college's decision to rent to the Graham group. Our relationship with Will Graham and his group is a business association, not a political alliance. Franklin Graham may have said things offensive to Muslims in the United States and abroad but that should not lead us to

prevent his son from speaking here. Just because we are allowing him to use our facilities for his event does not necessarily mean we agree with everything that he has said.

The Bill of Rights does not discriminate, and the First Amendment does not mean freedom of speech for some. The very principle of free speech means tolerating speech that we disagree with or find offensive. The Supreme Court has repeatedly defined protected, legal speech as anything except the most dangerous and inflammatory acts of public expression. Free speech has been the backbone of America's cultural and intellectual diversity throughout our country's history. Freedom of thought and expression guarantees broadly defined political rights for our citizens regardless of political orientation or personal belief. If we were to disallow Graham from speaking here on the basis of prior remarks, we would set a poor precedent for future business relationships and free speech at Kenyon.

The controversy over Will Graham's visit might just be another chapter in the so-called "culture wars." Many social critics and journalists see American society as divided along cultural and political lines. Does Kenyon fit into this cultural conflict somehow? You be the judge. I can't help but think that our own discomfort with Evangelicals, with the "religious right" is playing some role in this debate.

Many of us do not call Ohio home. Kenyon students are com-

ing in increasing numbers from coastal cities and suburbs. How many of us will settle in Knox County following graduation: my best guess is very few. Too many times have I heard Kenyon students talk about the Kenyon bubble with pride or even a smug sense of seclusion. Last year, Kenyon students reacted to the Aristocrap City incident by creating self-congratulatory Facebook groups and T-shirts. We embraced the nickname as if it were a compliment.

We should keep in mind that most of us are only temporary citizens of this place, and that is reason enough to respect the views of permanent residents. If there is sufficient interest from the surrounding area to warrant this type of event, then it was appropriate for the college to rent the KAC for the Will Graham Celebration.

Without differences of opinion, what conclusions could we arrive at except opinions based on our own assumptions and beliefs? Disagreement acts as the hopper that eventually produces consensus. As students and professors of the liberal arts, we rally behind the banner of open-mindedness and diversity of thought. We can try to silence the opinions of people we disagree with, but is that not antithetical to the goal of a liberal arts education? It will not change the reality of the world around us, either. It will only inhibit our understanding of it.

To those who would censure Will Graham and Evangelical Christians: practice what you preach.

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Kenyon economics



Dain Williams

BY JEREMY LAWSON
Guest Columnist

If you are an average Kenyon student, over the past weeks, month or years, you may have been asking yourself the following question: why are Kenyon dorms such a crowded place? Let me apply a bit of simple, economic, rational thought, thought that will hopefully help you judge the issues for yourselves. After all, the housing crunch is an issue that has been leaving us all feeling, well, squeezed.

Ever since I was a first year, we have perpetually had too few rooms and too many students. Now if you can do elementary algebra, you know that this should not be a recurring problem. Set the number of beds on campus divided by four equal to the number of students admitted in an incoming class—simple, right? If we want to complicate things a tad, we can add in a margin of error—say, extra rooms in case more students decide to come to Kenyon than the anticipated. If I had to take a guess, I'd say the entire admissions process has been sculpted into a rough science at the very least—the phenomenon of overcrowding is too serious to go long without being fixed. Should admissions feign surprise when, lo and behold, the campus is once again overcrowded?

Why would the school be consistently admitting too-large first-year classes? Certainly not for student comfort! The only tenable answer is that the administration wants to raise more money, presumably to use for future building construction, investment or to raise the salaries of employees. While crowding in students is one way to accomplish this, there are two sides to any accounting book—expenditures and revenues—and the best way to increase net profits might be to cut wasteful expenditures rather than raise revenues.

I will give a roundabout example here. Currently I know of many students who would love to opt-out of the food plan completely and survive off of the food available at venues in Gambier and Mount Vernon with the money they had saved. Another option would be a partial food plan. Why is it that students want to leave the Kenyon food plan?

I'll guess the reason why the food has always been a complaint since I've been at Kenyon: the company serving the school has almost no incentive to improve the quality of their food, because they have an effective monopoly over "free" food at Kenyon—students have to pay extra to eat at the Deli, the Village Inn or the Cove. Since our meal plan is paid for up front, AVI food only has to be so good to keep them from getting fired outright. If AVI's profits were linked to sales rather than a contract negotiated in advance, the businesses of Gambier would expand their operations, hiring more staff to deal with the inflow of students, who use the money they would save by not doing business with AVI. AVI would get much better very quickly, because now they would have to make their money through sales rather than a contract that had been worked out with the school in advance. Sales, of course, are dependent upon the quality of the product being sold.

Best of all, administrative overhead would go down. The administration could give the families of students their AVI money back, and everything could be paid for in cash, whether it be at Ernst or Middleground. It would be easy enough to put the money that had gone to AVI on the students' K-Cards, so a simple swipe of the card could buy lunch at any restaurant in Gambier that opted in to the K-Card program. By choosing one of these options, the school saves on its overhead costs, because it would not be buying meals for roughly 1,600 students year-round. And the school could charge a small premium on the convenience of the K-Card, making money at essentially no cost.

Similar to the dining dilemma, if the Kenyon administration used rules less stringently, the housing problem at Kenyon would evaporate. If, at the end of the admissions season, it is known that there will be x too many students on campus come August, allow x upper-classmen to opt out of on-campus housing for the privacy of an apartment or home in town. Depending upon whether too many or too few students chose to do this, the school could easily charge or pay a premium to offset the difference. In much the same way as the example with the dining hall, by cutting through pointless rules the school could make more money, simultaneously increasing students' well-being. By using a system like this, Kenyon could admit more students without suffering a housing crunch. The administration could have its cake and eat it too.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editors:

Teddy Eismeier's article, "Construction to continue on Kenyon's campus" (September 27, 2007) should serve as a wake-up call to the community. The prominence that you give to this issue reminds us that it is useful to take stock of the College we know and love before it changes beyond our recognition.

The following *Planning Principles* were adopted by the Kenyon College Board of Trustees in April 2003:

- That Kenyon is a walking campus.
- That the center of the Village of Gambier be addressed as an important component of a vital college and village life.
- That all academic facilities on campus be located in the academic core of the campus, south of Wiggin Street.
- That the integrity of the Gambier community be sustained and strengthened, both during the planning process and as a result of the plan.
- That green spaces on campus will be preserved and created.

It is important to note that these principles are not engraved in stone and were, in fact, controversial when they were first adopted. In any event, enough time has elapsed that they can now be reviewed.

Looking at the five principles together, I am struck by the fact that the third principle, namely, "that all academic facilities be located ... south of Wiggin Street," has been invoked to justify a great deal of high-density planning and construction. The plans for new buildings and the construction currently under way have not in any way been mitigated by the fifth principle, namely, "that green spaces on campus will be preserved and created." Green space is now either destroyed or threatened in at least six locations south of Wiggin Street. The east lawn of Peirce was once one of the College's most beautiful lawns, a favorite location for college picnics and a beautiful prospect from the terrace of Peirce itself. The shaded circular drive of Cromwell Cottage, which permits formal access to the President's house, is slated to be replaced by a long, rectangular, two-story fine arts building that will also destroy trees and shade. On the north side, Cromwell Cottage will fight it out with a collection of small buildings to be placed on the present corner lawn. The College cemetery will run up against a new studio art building at its west end. The woods that surround Gambier's Hill will be the site of new dormitories to the west and to the east of the "Kenyon Quad."

To this observer, it appears that the principles are being applied selectively, to say the least. It is also my concern that these principles, even if followed fairly, may not be in the best interest of Kenyon and Gambier. Master Planning is a good idea, but it is not supposed to develop piecemeal.

Sincerely,
Eugene Dwyer
Professor of art history
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Security officer's other job: Where's the beef?

BY LAURA GOEHRKE
Staff Writer

The beef is in the backyard of Director of Campus Safety Bob Hooper! Hooper, who has been working at Kenyon since 1986, has co-owned and lived on a beef cattle farm in Mount Vernon since 2001. Once I heard about this, I knew that I had to take a trip over to check it out.

I took a ride over to his farm with my friend Rachel Levy '10, and we were both stunned by the beauty of the scene as we pulled up the long driveway. There was a cute white prairie house, surrounded by three red barns, a silo, gorgeous green pastures and, of course, cattle. When we introduced ourselves to Hooper and commented on the magnificence of the farm, he said, "This is my sanity," and gave us a nice warm smile. Then he and his wife, Anita, who also works at Kenyon, showed us around and began to give us the low-down on what it's like to live and work on a cattle farm.

Hooper grew up on a farm and went to the Ohio State University to earn a degree in animal husbandry, so farming is practically in his blood. When he and his wife moved onto this farm, there were about 40 total

cows and calves. Now they've raised that number up to around 90—70 spring calves and 20 fall calves. They raise the newborn calves until they are about a year old and then sell them for meat

1,200 pounds—now that's what I call a growth spurt!

The farm is a total of 210 acres, most of them pasture, but about 30 acres are hay fields. Hooper said that there are mo-

depends on the day; sometimes he will be at the office at 6:30 a.m. and will not retire from his busy day until around 9 or 10 p.m.

About midway through our conversation, I realized that I

The Lion King with me amidst the chaos instead of Simba, but Hooper assured that they were just being protective of their baby calves.

Besides cattle, the Hoopers own a grey and black spotted dog, Mystic. They used to have chickens, but sadly enough, raccoons would sneak up at nights and eat them for a midnight snack. They put out raccoon traps to prevent this from happening again, but instead of catching the raccoons themselves, the traps caught some of their cats, which was when the Hoopers realized that the cattle and a dog were enough.

Overall, what is it like working two separate jobs, and living two lifestyles during the day? Hooper said, "Both are part of who I am and I couldn't imagine not doing one without the other. It gives me a good balance, which I like to call 'farm yoga.' If I have a tough day at Safety and Security, I can come home to the farm and it will all melt off. They are both great places to work."

Anita and Bob have a son and a daughter and were high school sweethearts. They have been married for 28 years, and Bob jokingly said, "That's why I like to work so much!" They both laughed; Anita gave him a love tap on the arm and smiled.



Laura Goehrke

to individuals. They sell a couple of truckloads a year, and each calf can sell for up to \$1,000 to \$1,200 apiece. The smallest newborn calf that they've ever had weighed a mere 45 pounds, which Anita nicknamed Pipsqueak, and the largest was around 116 pounds. Within the year before they are sold, they grow to be around

ments when it is hard to balance his time because he works not only on the farm and at the Office of Campus Safety but also part-time for the fire department. He pointed out that it has been especially rough this year because of the various bomb threats and thefts at Kenyon. He said that where most of his time gets put in

couldn't hear my own voice because all of the cattle were mooing and bellowing in a sonorous, slightly deafening and somewhat threatening tone. Laughing, I asked Hooper if they were always that noisy, and he said only when there are strangers around. I then felt somewhat nervous, picturing the stampede scene from

Point system smoothes class scheduling process

BY KARL LOWOOD
Staff Writer

At many other colleges and universities around the country, class schedules are typically set by the campus registrar. Kenyon College has historically differed from this norm by having individual departments choose how they wished to schedule classes—ideally, everyone would teach class at the time most comfortable for them.

Practically, however, this caused a few inconvenient problems for both students and professors. Certain class times would be over-requested, leading to some hours of the day where there were no appropriately spaced and sized rooms to put a class in. This also was problematic when new faculty members were hired—often they would want to teach class at a certain time, only to find that the time slot was unavailable. Students would sometimes find themselves unable to take certain classes, sometimes even required classes, because they would all occur at the same time and on the same day as other important classes.

Ultimately, this led to a

new method of class scheduling, adopted by the Registrar's Office for this academic year. Now, individual departments are allotted a certain number of points, based on the department's size and the number of classes they want to teach. The times of the day that have historically been most popular—generally around noon or the early afternoon—cost three points per class. Those that are less so—such as early morning classes—cost one.

The various departments have all adapted well to the new method, coordinating the use of rooms, and also balancing out their schedules, and communicating with each other to try to prevent conflicts in scheduling required classes. "The departments have to work together to see what works for their majors," said Registrar Ellen Harbourt.

The new method has also lead to a few earlier classes being offered—and in spite of what one might expect, many people are not at all deterred by the earlier times. "I think students are getting up a bit earlier," Harbourt said. "Most people went to high school at 7:30 or 8:00, and one day they'll be commuting."

Students who take early

classes find that it helps give them some free time. "On Monday, I don't get up until around 9:00 [a.m.] and my classes are all over by around 4:00 [p.m.]," Laura Yakas '10 said. She said she usually uses her free hours to prepare for her next class or do homework, and occasionally squeeze in time for a short nap.

Some teachers find it helpful to teach early classes. Until the year before last, Associate Professor of Biology Robert Mauck taught his animal behavior class from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Last year, he switched to teaching on Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in order to allow for more time to discuss the class readings. In this regard, he said discussion has been better. The year he made the switch, however, enrollment dropped from 30 students to 15. This year, it's up to 20. Mauck also notes that students he advises are seldom turned off by how early a class is.

Though it has not dramatically changed how classes are scheduled, the new policy has served to streamline how things work around the campus. So far, said Harbourt, "I think it's been a success."



BY EVA SANDLER
Staff Writer

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Security officer's other job: Where's the beef?

BY LAURA GOEHRKE
Staff Writer

The beef is in the backyard of Director of Campus Safety Bob Hooper! Hooper, who has been working at Kenyon since 1986, has co-owned and lived on a beef cattle farm in Mount Vernon since 2001. Once I heard about this, I knew that I had to take a trip over to check it out.

I took a ride over to his farm with my friend Rachel Levy '10, and we were both stunned by the beauty of the scene as we pulled up the long driveway. There was a cute white prairie house, surrounded by three red barns, a silo, gorgeous green pastures and, of course, cattle. When we introduced ourselves to Hooper and commented on the magnificence of the farm, he said, "This is my sanity," and gave us a nice warm smile. Then he and his wife, Anita, who also works at Kenyon, showed us around and began to give us the low-down on what it's like to live and work on a cattle farm.

Hooper grew up on a farm and went to the Ohio State University to earn a degree in animal husbandry, so farming is practically in his blood. When he and his wife moved onto this farm, there were about 40 total

cows and calves. Now they've raised that number up to around 90—70 spring calves and 20 fall calves. They raise the newborn calves until they are about a year old and then sell them for meat

1,200 pounds—now that's what I call a growth spurt!

The farm is a total of 210 acres, most of them pasture, but about 30 acres are hay fields. Hooper said that there are mo-

depends on the day; sometimes he will be at the office at 6:30 a.m. and will not retire from his busy day until around 9 or 10 p.m.

About midway through our conversation, I realized that I

The Lion King with me amidst the chaos instead of Simba, but Hooper assured that they were just being protective of their baby calves.

Besides cattle, the Hoopers own a grey and black spotted dog, Mystic. They used to have chickens, but sadly enough, raccoons would sneak up at nights and eat them for a midnight snack. They put out raccoon traps to prevent this from happening again, but instead of catching the raccoons themselves, the traps caught some of their cats, which was when the Hoopers realized that the cattle and a dog were enough.

Overall, what is it like working two separate jobs, and living two lifestyles during the day? Hooper said, "Both are part of who I am and I couldn't imagine not doing one without the other. It gives me a good balance, which I like to call 'farm yoga.' If I have a tough day at Safety and Security, I can come home to the farm and it will all melt off. They are both great places to work."

Anita and Bob have a son and a daughter and were high school sweethearts. They have been married for 28 years, and Bob jokingly said, "That's why I like to work so much!" They both laughed; Anita gave him a love tap on the arm and smiled.



Laura Goehrke

to individuals. They sell a couple of truckloads a year, and each calf can sell for up to \$1,000 to \$1,200 apiece. The smallest newborn calf that they've ever had weighed a mere 45 pounds, which Anita nicknamed Pipsqueak, and the largest was around 116 pounds. Within the year before they are sold, they grow to be around

ments when it is hard to balance his time because he works not only on the farm and at the Office of Campus Safety but also part-time for the fire department. He pointed out that it has been especially rough this year because of the various bomb threats and thefts at Kenyon. He said that where most of his time gets put in

couldn't hear my own voice because all of the cattle were mooing and bellowing in a sonorous, slightly deafening and somewhat threatening tone. Laughing, I asked Hooper if they were always that noisy, and he said only when there are strangers around. I then felt somewhat nervous, picturing the stampede scene from

Point system smoothes class scheduling process

BY KARL LOWOOD
Staff Writer

At many other colleges and universities around the country, class schedules are typically set by the campus registrar. Kenyon College has historically differed from this norm by having individual departments choose how they wished to schedule classes—ideally, everyone would teach class at the time most comfortable for them.

Practically, however, this caused a few inconvenient problems for both students and professors. Certain class times would be over-requested, leading to some hours of the day where there were no appropriately spaced and sized rooms to put a class in. This also was problematic when new faculty members were hired—often they would want to teach class at a certain time, only to find that the time slot was unavailable. Students would sometimes find themselves unable to take certain classes, sometimes even required classes, because they would all occur at the same time and on the same day as other important classes.

Ultimately, this led to a

new method of class scheduling, adopted by the Registrar's Office for this academic year. Now, individual departments are allotted a certain number of points, based on the department's size and the number of classes they want to teach. The times of the day that have historically been most popular—generally around noon or the early afternoon—cost three points per class. Those that are less so—such as early morning classes—cost one.

The various departments have all adapted well to the new method, coordinating the use of rooms, and also balancing out their schedules, and communicating with each other to try to prevent conflicts in scheduling required classes. "The departments have to work together to see what works for their majors," said Registrar Ellen Harbourn.

The new method has also lead to a few earlier classes being offered—and in spite of what one might expect, many people are not at all deterred by the earlier times. "I think students are getting up a bit earlier," Harbourn said. "Most people went to high school at 7:30 or 8:00, and one day they'll be commuting."

Students who take early

classes find that it helps give them some free time. "On Monday, I don't get up until around 9:00 [a.m.] and my classes are all over by around 4:00 [p.m.]," Laura Yakas '10 said. She said she usually uses her free hours to prepare for her next class or do homework, and occasionally squeeze in time for a short nap.

Some teachers find it helpful to teach early classes. Until the year before last, Associate Professor of Biology Robert Mauck taught his animal behavior class from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Last year, he switched to teaching on Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in order to allow for more time to discuss the class readings. In this regard, he said discussion has been better. The year he made the switch, however, enrollment dropped from 30 students to 15. This year, it's up to 20. Mauck also notes that students he advises are seldom turned off by how early a class is.

Though it has not dramatically changed how classes are scheduled, the new policy has served to streamline how things work around the campus. So far, said Harbourn, "I think it's been a success."



Katie Weber

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Serfs rise, conquer annual FRED tournament

BY ISAAC MILLER
Staff Reporter

Serf, Kenyon's ultimate team, has competed in its first three tournaments over the past three weekends, and during that time it has improved greatly, capping off their progress by dominating last weekend's 75th Annual FRED tournament, which the team hosted.

Kenyon has had an ultimate team for several years now. Captain Mario Nuño-Whelan '08 explains the name as being a play on the usual nicknames for our teams.

"While the varsity sports might represent the Lords and Ladies of Kenyon College, the ultimate team, the Serf, represents the lower rung of that hierarchical class structure—the workers, toiling the corn fields, content with an open field and a disc," he said.

Ultimate is a sport which combines the action of soccer and football with the throwing and catching flying discs. While it is commonly referred to as ultimate Frisbee, this is a misnomer, as Frisbee is a brand name of discs made by the Wham-O company, which is not associated with the sport.

The Serfs' first tournament was the East Plains Open Sectionals and was held Sept. 15-16 in Versailles, Ohio. This was the first part of the Club season "when teams from all over the nation, plus Canada, have Club Sectionals, Club Regionals and Club Nationals," Nuño-Whelan said.

While Serf placed 13th out of 18 teams at the tournament, the team performed well, rising from an initial ranking of 17th. The team did not qualify for regionals, as only the top four sectional teams go on, but the team had many bright spots.

Serf has a team of mostly young players. There are 30 team members, of whom three are seniors and three are juniors. "The rest are sophomores and [first years], with the occasional local Mount Vernon player dropping by to play every now and then" said Nuño-Whelan.

This has not been detrimental to the quality of the team. In fact, some new players showed a lot of promise in their first tournament. Russel Wallack '11, Andrew Hoagland '09, Paul Rutherford '10 and Alex Ostrom '11 are rookie players who have already shown great skill and promise in their first tournaments.

"It looks like we're going to have a really strong team this year," Nuño-Whelan said after the East Plains Open Sectionals. "We have some very talented rookies, a solid squad of upperclassmen, and all the [first years] from last year have improved tremendously."

This statement was proven especially true the very next weekend at a one-day tournament held by rival Denison University in Granville, where a Serf squad composed of mostly new players took first place, winning every game, including two against Denison teams. The small tournament was considered a good exercise for the rookies, and they showed that they really are a strong group of players. Wallack had another great performance, getting 24 assists

and eight scores, and Ostrom added two assists, a score and five blocks.

"Rookies Katie Duennebieer '10, and Katy Day '10 had great days as well, coming out strong at their first-ever ultimate tournament," said team member Martha Gregory '09.

"Basically, we dominated," Nuño-Whelan said. "Our performance at the tournament definitely bodes well for this season and for the future of Kenyon Ultimate."

All of the hard work and improvement Serf has put into this season came to a head last weekend during the 75th

Annual FRED Tournament, as it has always been called, hosted by Kenyon. Nuño-Whelan explained "Ultimate hasn't really been around for 75 years, much less at Kenyon, so the tournament name is kind of a joke ... I'm pretty sure FRED was the team mascot, a deer, in the early years of Kenyon ultimate, and while he no longer graces our logo, he still remains the spirit of the home tournament," he said.

Twelve teams from around Ohio competed in the tournament, including the Kenyon A and B teams and a team called Uprising, the first-ever Kenyon

alumni team. The mostly new B team did not win any of their games, but continued to show heart and promise.

"Megan Kirkendall, a sophomore Frisbee veteran, helped lead the B team through the tourney, as well as experienced [first year] Alex Ostrom, and junior Devon Fitzgerald," said Gregory.

The Kenyon A team, however, completely dominated the tournament, going 7-0 to win first place, the first time a Kenyon team has done so at this competition. Led by Captain Nuño-Whelan, the veteran team glided

through the competition, ending the tournament by annihilating Ohio Wesleyan 15-5 in the final.

"It was an historical tournament for Serf and we had a great time hosting the other Ohio schools," Nuño-Whelan said. "It's hard to give any names for who performed particularly well because everyone on the team played such solid ultimate."

Judging by the amount of improvement Serf has shown over these past weeks, that may be the case for some time.



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Checkmate: Battling Bishops outmanuever Lords Football



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Joey Konieczny '08 (L) finds his hole is closing and Harry Von Kann '10 goes over an Ohio Wesleyan defender in the OWU victory.

BY LINDSAY MEANS
Staff Reporter

Last Saturday at McBride Field, Ohio Wesleyan University's 35-27 victory over the Kenyon College Lords rattled the good feelings of Kenyon's homecoming weekend. While the Lords scored on the opening drive, the OWU Battling Bishops quickly answered with a touchdown of their own, and then pulled ahead in the second half to set a two-touchdown lead that the Lords' offense ultimately could not match.

Javier Arbolaez '09 scored on a one-yard touchdown run during the first drive of the game to give the Lords their initial lead over the Bishops, who scored on their next drive. Though both teams scored on their first possession of the game, neither team reached the end zone again until the second quarter. Rafael Sanchez '08 and his brother Mikey Sanchez '10 both added scores of their own in the third quarter, and, in the last

minute of play, A.J. Clair '10 caught a pass from Mike Hermanson '10 to bring the Lords' point total to 27. It was Hermanson's only play of the game.

"Offense did click in the second half," says Lords' Head Coach Ted Stanley. "The effort was excellent; the players maxed themselves out and really stayed very focused, but we didn't play the prepared perimeter runs and we just didn't make those critical plays at critical times... At times we played well, at times we played poorly, but we did take a step forward in many ways."

Though the loss was disappointing, the game was not ultimately a failure, Stanley said. According to him, special teams have vastly improved from past games. The Lords' defense was also better at "staying focused and creating opportunities."

Kenyon's defense, despite 116 penalty yards, finished the game with 434 to OWU's 449 total yards; Mike Chase '08 had a team-best 12 tackles,

while Justin Morgan '10 also stood out with ten stops of his own.

Adding to the excitement of homecoming was the Knox County High School Marching Band, resplendent in purple, which provided the home crowd with some rousing, albeit less-than-traditional, anthems: their own interpretations of "Time After Time" by Cyndi Lauper, Nickelback's "Photograph" and Fall Out Boy's "Thnks fr th Mmrs." The marching band was accompanied by cheerleaders, baton twirlers and a color guard, all in various shades of sparkly white, purple and black.

Next week, the Lords go on the road for the first time this season for Hiram College's homecoming game.

"This game will definitely present challenges we'll have to meet head-on; we'll be playing on grass, they'll have a hostile crowd," said Stanley. "Ultimately, we need to put four quarters together and we need to win."

Lords rugby rucks foes to the core

BY JO HAYES
Staff Reporter

The Kenyon Lords rugby team dominated in their match this past Saturday against one of their greatest rivals, John Carroll University, in a 30-15 win.

It was the best game in the time that I've played at Kenyon," said Captain Ryan Stewart '08. "We knew what John Carroll was going to do and we adapted our game plan."

The Lords seemed to control the field immediately and scored early on with a penalty kick by Jarrett Moreno '08. Not long after, Moreno sprinted along the left alley of the field to score a try.

By this time in the game, John Carroll already displayed signs of fatigue, with many of their players struggling to catch their breath during pauses in the game.

"I knew fifteen minutes into the game that if we held our ground on defense, they wouldn't be able to keep

up with us," said Captain Japhet Balaban '09. "We set the pace for the game."

The forwards demonstrated their control by gaining and keeping possession of the ball. Despite the fact that the John Carroll team was slightly larger than the Lords, the scrums and mauls were very successful for the Lords. This is most likely attributed to the forwards' fitness, as John Carroll progressively slowed down throughout the game.

John Carroll did manage to score a few times, however, the first being off a penalty kick. This was quickly countered with a try by Stewart and a conversion kick by Moreno.

This back and forth repeated itself as John Carroll scored again with a successful try and conversion kick, but was followed by a try from Moreno and another conversion kick.

Despite some tense moments in the middle of the match, the Lords finished strong with a penalty kick from Moreno and a try from Balaban.

Lords soccer keeps streak alive, now at 10

BY ROBERT DIGNAZIO
Staff Reporter

On Oct. 3, 2007, the Lords Soccer team defeated the Ohio Wesleyan Battling Bishops 1-0. Compare this to just one year ago...

On Nov. 24, 2006, the Ohio Wesleyan University men's soccer team stepped onto the pitch in Florida to play in the NCAA Division III Final Four. Meanwhile, the Kenyon Lords had already enjoyed the first four weeks of their off-season, after failing to qualify for the NCAC playoffs. Although the Battling Bishops lost to Wheaton College on that late November day, they established themselves as a national power in men's soccer.

When the two squads played Tuesday night at OWU, it became apparent what a difference the last ten months had made. The Lords have climbed from the bottom of the conference, establishing themselves as a regional power. The Lords entered the game with a 9-1 record, which resembled Ohio Wesleyan's 9-2 record for the season. Despite their similar accomplishments this season, the Bishops enjoyed a 20th national ranking, and had been ranked as high as third this season, while the Lords could not seem to attract the attention of the national pollsters.

This lack of recognition fueled the Lords as they stepped onto the pitch in Delaware, Ohio Tuesday night. In addition to pride, NCAC supremacy and national rankings were up for grabs under the lights of Roy Rike Field.

Kenyon and OWU battled in a tight first half. The Lords outshot the Bishops 7-4, but could not find the back of the net, while OWU missed all three corner-kick opportunities of the half. In the second half, OWU outshot the Lords, but Kenyon goalie Jamie White '10 managed to shut down every Bishops attack. Although the Lords only had two shots in the second frame, they kept the pressure on the OWU defense, sending five corner kicks in front of the Bishops' net. None of them found the back of

the net, however.

The biggest play of the game, and probably of the Lords' season, came in the 74th minute, just when fans were beginning to expect overtime. Senior midfielder Nate Pritchard '08 raced down the right sideline and crossed a beautiful ball to the feet of first year Miguel Barrera, who pounded a shot past the OWU goalkeeper. The late goal sent the Kenyon squad into celebration. They prepared, however, for what they knew would be the most important 15 minutes of the game. The Lords repelled every Ohio Wesleyan attack, and sealed their tenth win in a row.

Although the Lords claimed victory against their first nationally ranked opponent of the year, Head Coach Chris Brown viewed the win as just another game on the schedule.

"We prepared in pretty much the same manner as usual," Brown said. "The guys felt very confident going into the game. We are just on a steady path to getting the program back to national prominence."

If the Lords can continue their impressive run through the regular season, this game will surely be a trademark victory for the program. The win earned the team both their first win over the Battling Bishops and first ten-game winning streak since 1997. The Lords still have six regular season games remaining. The 1-0 shutout also ended Ohio Wesleyan's 28-game unbeaten streak within the NCAC, which spanned four seasons. Their last defeat came in September 2004, when this year's seniors were first years.

Kenyon is brewing an impressive streak of its own. In addition to their ten-game winning streak, the Lords have a four-game conference winning streak dating back to last season. Kenyon faces six more conference foes this year. They look to extend both streaks against the College of Wooster on Saturday. The first day back from October reading days features another big road game. The Lords will travel to Wittenberg University to play the 16th ranked Tigers (8-2) under the lights on Wednesday night.

Player of the Week

BY HOLLY KARN
Staff Reporter

First year Felix Hoffman has been playing soccer for almost all of the 22 years of his life. Originally from Bergheim, Germany, he came to the States in 2003 to attend Trinity Pawling School in New York.

Fortunately for Felix and the Lords, he was taught by John Dutton, who would ultimately lead him to Kenyon College. After returning to Germany for two years of work, Felix arrived on the Hill.

Using only the information on the College website, word of mouth and his connections to the College, Felix came to Gambier hoping to play soccer for the Lords, and to explore academic interests. He was not disappointed. Recently, he broke the single-season scoring record for a first year. When asked about this accomplishment, he said "I'm proud of it, of course, but it's a

team effort to be honest ... I'm just in the right place. I would prefer the team to win games even if I don't score."

In addition to breaking the first-year scoring record, Felix was named NCAC Player of the Week for September 17, 2007 for scoring nine goals in six games.

The time he spends playing soccer does not keep this outstanding forward from other activities. Felix is a member of the Kenyon Student Athletes group and is an Apprentice Teacher (AT) in the German language program. He is interested in the sciences, especially chemistry and geology. Upon graduation from Kenyon, he is unsure whether he will stay in America or return to Germany; he sometimes misses Germany, especially the food. "Anything tending toward German food does not really taste like it," said Felix. Despite this, he continues to stay passionate about school and succeed on the field.



Bob Dorff

Alumni support rugby tradition, lend hand

BY RACHEL DICKSON
Staff Reporter

"Rugby is a sport," said Kenyon Saftey Officer Gregory Von Freymann. "A great sport."

Von Freymann played with the men's rugby team from 1996 to 2001, and coached the team for a while after that. He started playing rugby in Massachusetts, and has played in Wales as well. This past Tuesday, the Kenyon rugby teams received a visit from Kenyon alum and former Lords rugger Robert Voth '92. In 1988, Voth received a wrestling scholarship to a Division I school. Instead, he chose Kenyon for

academics and decided to play rugby.

"The game made sense to me the second I saw it," said Voth. "Rugby transcends the physical. This is a game that literally stays with you for life."

Rugby has stayed with Voth since Kenyon. Voth continues to play professionally in Cleveland, and he has played in tournaments in Japan, South Korea, Manila, China, Mongolia, Australia, France, England, Guam and Indonesia. Voth has trained with the Eagles, USA Rugby's national team, and now he comes back occasionally to help the Kenyon

rugby teams out with technique.

"Always, always sacrifice your body," said Voth.

Von Freymann grudgingly admitted that the rugby team still suffers a lot of injuries. He blames that on the fact that the team has neither a coach nor sufficient access to trainers.

"It's just another sport," said Von Freymann. "You can get hurt in golf. Even in ultimate Frisbee, you're going to get hurt."

"Really, rugby is the largest sport on campus, if you count both teams together. They also get bigger crowds at the games, but due to lack of press and the mentality ... that it's not a real sport, rugby hasn't gotten enough credit at Kenyon," said Von Freymann. "Their reputation has improved,

especially because they are getting better. Last year, Captains Alec Egan ['07] and Jesse Rosenbluth ['07] did a lot to improve the relationship between the rugby teams and the administration."

Von Freymann would like to see more funding and College support for both teams. "The rugby team should go in the admissions package," said Von Freymann. "There are a lot of rugby teams on the east coast. It's a selling point."

"This is probably the best team Kenyon has had in years," continued Von Freymann. "If the men's team beats Ashland [University], it will be their first undefeated season in ten years." Likewise, Voth said to the women's team, "It sounds like if you

beat Ashland, some great things will happen."

Regardless of whether or not the Kenyon rugby teams beat Ashland, Voth feels confident that rugby is a success at Kenyon.

"Rugby's a worldwide fraternity," he said. "You can go anywhere, anytime and have a friend. It even transcends gender."

At the Rugby World Cup in New Zealand, Voth felt like he had 20 years worth of relationships with the 80,000 fans. Kenyon students are realizing this phenomenon now.

"I think playing rugby can be a better networking opportunity than externing, even better than a sorority," said Nida Chaudhary '08.

Ladies ride rough road

BY MEGHAN MCCLINCY
Staff Reporter

Last Wednesday, the Wittenberg University Tigers ended the Ladies field hockey team's seven-game conference win streak, dating back to last season, in a heartbreaking double overtime loss.

The Tigers' Boo Vernon, the NCAC's leading scorer, netted the first goal of the game. The Ladies were not able to score their goal until there were just over 24 minutes left in the game. At that point, forward Elisabeth Dow '11 crossed a pass from the left side goal to midfielder Kelly Adams '09. Adams was able to settle the bouncing pass and fire the ball into the back of the cage, earning Adams her first goal of the season and leading the girls into overtime, the score tied 1-1.

Both teams were unable to finish the game in the first 15 minutes of overtime. During the second round of overtime play, the Tigers were able to score, collecting the win. The Ladies' penalty corner failed, allowing the Tigers to clear the ball to midfield where Vernon collected it, slipped past a defender and had a clear path to the goal, ending the game with 2-1 loss for the Ladies.

However, the Ladies came out strong in their Saturday match-up against the Ohio Wesleyan University Battling Bishops. The win was not only important to the Ladies' conference standing, but it also proved that the team could bounce back from a tough loss with a win on the road.

The team's underclassmen stepped up for the Ladies, as Joy Leaman '11 scored Saturday's lone goal, which earned the Ladies' a 1-0 win over OWU. Leaman's goal, her third of the season, didn't find the Ohio Wesleyan cage until late in the game. With just over six minutes to play in regulation, she collected a cross from classmate Dow and finished the shot.

"Well, it was 22 seconds after Coach told us we had to score," said Leaman with a laugh. "It was on a fast break and Bizzie [Dow] set-up a nice cross. It was a great win for the team, especially after the loss to

Wittenberg."

The Ladies once again hit the road on Sunday, when they battled at Washington and Jefferson College in Washington, Pennsylvania. It was a defensive game as the Ladies were out-shot by the Presidents 13-3. Goalie Karen Thompson '09 stepped up for the Ladies with nine saves. The Presidents were able to squeak in a rebound goal with only three minutes left in the game, leaving the score 1-0 in favor of Washington and Jefferson.

"The other team played with more intensity," said Thompson. "It was a tough loss, but we know what aspects of the game we need to work on and we are ready to move forward as a team."

The Ladies, now 6-4 overall, and 5-1 in the conference travel to Granville to challenge the Denison University Big Red. The Ladies won the first match-up this season with the Big Red two weeks ago, a 3-1 decision at McBride Field.

Ladies soccer fails to win, avoids losing

BY HILARY GOWINS
Staff Reporter

The Kenyon women's soccer team faced a tough conference opponent in the Battling Bishops of Ohio Wesleyan University this past Saturday, coming away from the match with a 2-2 tie. This latest outcome brings the Ladies' record to 4-3-2 overall and helped them break into what promises to be exciting and challenging league play.

Unlike the Ladies' heartbreaking tie last week at the hands of Roanoke College, in which a last-minute goal and two scoreless overtimes sealed the fate of their first stalemate, this game was one that was made more exciting by a valiant come-from-behind effort.

The Ladies controlled play during the first half, but a few unfortunate bounces and a bit of luck on the side of the Bishops left Kenyon down 2-0

at the half. OWU's relentless and speedy style of play kept things interesting as the second half commenced, but this time when the Ladies charged the field, there was a greater sense of energy and determination in their strides.

"We had more determination to get forward into the attack in the second half and created more dangerous opportunities compared to the first half," Head Coach Kelly Bryan said of the Ladies' offense. "Getting numbers into the attack is very important and we knew we had to start taking some chances to get back in the game."

The comeback was staged by the Ladies' first goal of the afternoon, scored by Beth Blackey '09 off of a pass from Amy Kessler '09. The selfless Kessler would set up the next goal as well, this time tallied by first year Katie Fee to put

the Ladies within striking range once more.

The clock ran out on the second half with neither team scoring another goal. The two overtimes that followed yielded identical results and the teams parted on even terms.

The strength, confidence and ability to come back after facing a 2-0 deficit is something that Bryan chalks up to the intensity of the preseason schedule faced by her players.

"I have no doubt in my mind that the battles we faced during that time helped prepare us for the NCAC and our ability to come back against OWU," Bryan said. "We aren't afraid to face anyone and know that we are in control of our destiny."

The Ladies will get their first opportunity to tally a league victory this Wednesday as Kenyon travels to face long time rival Denison University at 7:00 p.m.



Ladies' field hockey captain Lauren Keiling '08 drives downfield as the Ladies were defeated by the Wittenberg Tigers in overtime 2-1. Keiling was held scoreless throughout the game.

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*For their recognition of the need to step up – and speak out with intelligence and respect when divisive actions take place on campus.

*For their engagement in the community we all cherish, and their manifest belief in the value of something greater than self.

We all use the word community quite a lot at Kenyon. In fact, it's part of the College's trademark, not just in our admissions literature but also in the dominant ethos on campus, where cooperation and concern for others are the norm. Most students claim our sense of community as a key reason why they enroll, and why they are happy here. It takes work to sustain an atmosphere in which every community member feels accepted and protected, and while there have been occasions when we have not lived up to that goal, we are heartened by the students' thoughtful and helpful responses when our community's lapses, no matter how painful, are called to the community's attention.

In Kenyon's Matriculation Oath – which many of you have already taken, and which first-year and transfer students will take at this year's Founders' Day Convocation on November 1 – students pledge to “provide the influence of [their] good example and precept as far as may be in [their] power” – a powerful reminder that each and every community member's example contributes to our campus culture.

The final words of the oath are these: “As faithful sons and daughters of Kenyon College, we will render her, as our Alma Mater, due honor and respect and will strive by all proper means to promote Kenyon's welfare and good name.” There is no better way for all of us to do this than by embracing our responsibility for maintaining a college of which we can be proud. That duty is one we must undertake together, as one community, undivided by preconceptions and even prejudices about each other and our beliefs.

We look forward to working with all of you to continue Kenyon's traditions of acceptance and support for each other, our fellow community members.

The Student Affairs Division

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